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## IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CANADIAN COUNTY, OKLAHOMA STATE OF OKLAHOMA

DEREK ALLEN SEE and CATHY JO SEE,	) ) )	BY Dendulus
Plaintiffs,	)	
vs.	)	Case No. CJ-2014-310
AMERICAN SECURITY INSURANCE COMPANY a/k/a ASSURANT INSURANCE	) ; ; )	
GROUP,	)	CASE ASSIGNED TO:
Defendants.	)	JUDGE: GARY E MILLER
PET	TITION	

Come now Plaintiffs, Derek Allen See and Cathy Jo See, by and through their attorney of record, and for their Petition against the Defendant alleges and states:

- 1. Plaintiffs are residents of Canadian County, State of Oklahoma..
- 2. Defendant American Security Insurance Company (hereinafter "Defendant") is a property insurance company with its principal place of business in the State of Georgia.
- 3. The events complained of herein occurred in Canadian County.
- 4. Accordingly, this Court has jurisdiction and venue.

## **FACTS**

- 5. On or about May 30, 2013, Plaintiffs received damage to their home from severe storms.
- 6. Defendant was then the homeowners' insurer for Plaintiffs' home.
- 7. Defendant was promptly advised of the damage sustained to Plaintiffs home.
- 8. Defendant has breached the contract of insurance by failing and refusing to

- adequately evaluate and pay appropriate benefits under the policy.
- 9. Defendant has breached the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing in its contract of insurance with Plaintiffs in the following respects:
  - a. by failing and refusing to disclose to Plaintiffs information relevant to the benefits provided;
  - b. by refusing to properly investigate the Plaintiffs' claim for benefits;
  - c. by refusing to properly and timely evaluate and promptly pay the Plaintiffs' claim for policy benefits;
  - d. by refusing to consider the reasonable expectations of its insured;
  - e. by knowingly misconstruing and misapplying the terms of the policy;
  - f. by forcing Plaintiffs to hire an attorney to obtain policy benefits that

    Defendant knew to be owing to its insured;
  - g. by failing to pay policy benefits to Plaintiffs when Defendant knew Plaintiffs' claims for such benefits were valid and that Plaintiffs were entitled to those benefits;
  - h. by refusing to honor Plaintiffs' claims in some instances for reasons contrary to the express provisions of the policy and/or Oklahoma law;
  - i. by refusing to honor Plaintiffs' claims in some instances by applying restrictions not contained in the policy;
  - j. failing to adopt and implement reasonable standards for the prompt investigation and reasonable handling of claims arising under these policies, to include Plaintiffs' claims; and
  - k. by not attempting in good faith to effectuate a prompt, fair and equitable

settlement of Plaintiffs' claims once liability had become reasonably clear.

- 10. As a direct result of the above described conduct, Plaintiffs have suffered a loss of policy benefits, emotional injury, anxiety, distress, worry and other incidental and other consequential damages.
- 11. Defendant's actions were intentional, willful, malicious, wanton and/or reckless, for which punitive damages should be assessed against Defendant.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs pray for judgment against Defendant in an amount exceeding \$75,000.00 actual damages, punitive damages, interest, costs of this action and for such other and further relief as this Court deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted by:

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